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AUTO SPEEDERS ARE INDICTED

Charges Also Against Parties For Running Car While Under Influence of Whiskey. Few Didn't Have License.

The Grand Jury, which met Monday and adjourned Tuesday found a number of indictments, which ought to convince automobile owners and drivers that the lives of the people are to be safeguarded, and that the public highways belong to all the people, and the people have the right to the safe use of the highways, free from dangers incident to reckless speeding by half-drunk or whole-drunk drivers.

The Grand Jury found some six or seven indictments against speeders, some of these on two charges—one for speeding and one for driving while under the influence of liquor. One young man, who lives in the county, and who had been burning up the streets in this town and the roads round about, was hauled up before Judge Patton and fined \$50.00 and costs, amounting to \$56.00 in all. It was shown, so witnesses stated, that he was smartly intoxicated, and that he was driving recklessly, and that his recklessness did not cost him his life and the lives of others with him. In addition to the fine a bond of \$500 was required by the magistrate, for 12 months.

Another Tazewell young man, indicted for speeding while drunk, is said to have gone on a visit to another state, and there are others. This action of the authorities is timely, and just what was to be expected. These, and all other motor-men, have had sufficient warning from the papers and otherwise, that they should be the result of reckless driving, but they failed to heed. These young men are usually quiet, good boys, but the evidence showed that John Barleycorn was the chauffeur at the wheel, and not the boys, and everybody knows that chauffeur "John" is a reckless, heedless driver. The fines imposed will go into the public treasury of the county as a credit, and the young men will charge up the amounts to "incidental expenses."

And it is to be hoped that this will be a lesson heeded by all drivers of cars. The commonwealth's attorneys, and other authorities, have set their heads, they say, and are determined that the laws shall be obeyed, and the rights of the public guarded.

Only One Pocahontas Case. Perhaps this was the first Grand Jury for years that did not have a number of cases before it for investigation, from Pocahontas. There was only one case—that of a colored man, charged with assaulting his wife with a knife. A true bill was returned. And this seems to mean, says a Judge, that a quietus has been put on things in Pocahontas. Think of it! Not a single case before a Tazewell court from the police courts of Pocahontas! Surely a better day is dawning!

Devilment Due to Liquor.

One man, in commenting on this state of affairs, said that Pocahontas people were no worse than the people of any other town, nor any better. They are just plain human beings like the rest of us. For years, he said, they have showed up seemingly worse than most folks, but it was not because they were worse or more depraved naturally, but their bad showing was due to their surroundings. He went on to say that no people on earth have shown up in a better light perhaps, under similar surroundings. With the town honey-combed with bar-rooms and low dives and their attendants and the devil busy twenty-four hours every day, including Sunday, the year round, how in the world could people be decent? But now, he declared, with all that hell and hellery subsiding, the city of Pocahontas is taking her place among the quiet and peaceful cities of the commonwealth, and after November 1st, and with several of the chief offenders in jail, conditions will be better still, and homes will be happier.

The members of the Grand Jury at this time of the court were: G. W. Doak, Foreman; M. J. Hankins, H. S. Bowen, W. J. McNeil, Hiram Stowers, James Harris, J. C. Pruett, W. H. Hager, Joseph Harrison.

S. S. CONVENTION POSTPONED.

We are requested by Mr. M. F. Neel to say that the Sunda School Rally scheduled for next Sunday at Cove Creek has been postponed.

LAST CIRCUIT APPOINTMENTS.

Liberty, first Saturday night at 8 o'clock.
Cove, first Sunday, 11 a. m., Glenwood 3:30 p. m.
Mt. Olivet, second Sunday 11 a. m. Concord 3:30 p. m.
Central, Third Sunday 11 a. m. at Glade, 3:30 p. m.
Pleasant Hill fourth Sunday, 11 a. m., White Church 3:30 p. m.
Our last Quarterly meeting for this Conference year will be held in the Cove on the last day of September, and the first day of October—just two days before our annual conference at Bluefield.

I shall expect all the official brethren to be present at the Quarterly meeting.

W. C. THOMPSON.

NEWS OF GRATTON.

Gratton, Aug. 30.—On Saturday before the second Sunday in September, beginning at 3 o'clock, the Gratton Missionary Society will give an ice cream supper at Concord, the proceeds to go to the church. The old and the young, the big and the little, married and single—everybody—invited to help in the good work. Come with big hearts, accompanied with big pocket-books, with money in them to spend. Don't forget the day nor the date—Sept. 9th. The Mt. Olivet people met with much success, and the Concord folks are looking forward to the same.

Miss Laura Ashworth, of Coeburn, is visiting friends here and will visit on Clear Fork, in Bluefield, Princeton, and at other places before returning to Coeburn.

Miss Mary Steffy spent Wednesday night and Thursday with Miss Ada Barton, and will attend the Teachers' meeting at Tazewell Friday and Saturday. She will then leave for Pocahontas, where she will teach school this year.

Mr. Luther Dunigan took Miss Ashworth, of Coeburn, Miss Martha Nickles, of Washington, D. C., and the Misses Burton, of Gratton, to Burke's Garden in his car Tuesday afternoon, and the party enjoyed the trip very much.

John Henry and Clarence Yost, of Keystone, were here last week visiting homefolks, and returned Monday to Keystone.

Mrs. R. C. Cooper left Sunday for Keystone for a few weeks. She was accompanied by her little daughter, Louise.

Mrs. Henry Peck, who has been very ill for the past two or three weeks, is very rapidly improving now. Mr. T. E. Burton spent Saturday night and Sunday with homefolks, returning Sunday to War, W. Va., where he has a position.

Mrs. T. E. Burton is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Compton, on Clear Fork.

Miss Bessie Davis, of Bondtown, was visiting Miss Mabel Bourne last week. Miss Bourne is at home for a vacation.

Miss Hazel Wynn, of Cedar Bluff, visited friends and relatives on Clear Fork a few days last week. She returned home Sunday.

HENRY HAMPTON AND JEWELL RIDGE.

Hampton, the contractor of the Jewell Ridge buildings, spent a day or two at his home here this week. He is getting on finely, has completed the opera house and has the church nearly finished. Moving pictures are already being shown. He reports that the company will put on a gasoline car between Richlands and the works for the benefit of the bosses chiefly. When this is done a visitor or a newspaper man may be able to reach Jewell Ridge and back to Tazewell the same day. The company is laying foundations, deep and broad, for future work at Jewell Ridge.

GOT THE WRONG CAR.

Robert Tarter and his son, Charles, who is here on a visit from Florida, were in town on business Wednesday. Mr. Tarter had a nice leather grip, (about quart size) along, and bought a collar pad and other articles which he put in the grip, and through mistake set grip, collar pad and all, in another man's car, and this other man drove home with said grip, collar pad and all. However, the property was located in John C. St. Clair's car, and a phone message brought the property back to town at once. The statement should be made clearly, in this connection, that said grip contained only a number of packages for Mrs. Tarter.

SEED WHEAT.

Nice clean seed wheat (Fultz) for sale. \$1.60 per bushel.

C. R. BROWN, Tazewell, Va.

AEROPLANE FOR TAZEWELL FAIR

Famous New York Aviator Will Make Daily Flights Here.

First Flying Machine to Be Seen in this County.

Secretary Nye Britts, of the Tazewell Fair Association, has closed a contract with the Young Aeroplane Company, of New York and Chicago, for the appearance here on the three days of the Tazewell Fair, September 19, 20 and 21—of one of their famous aviators.

The contract guarantees flight each day of the Fair, and will be the first aeroplane to be seen in Tazewell.

The machine to be used by the aviator is the same model as is now in use by the warring nations in Europe, and will attract large crowds from all over the Southwest to Tazewell.

W. C. T. U. MEETING.

There will be a meeting of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union on Wednesday afternoon, September 6, in the ladies club room, at 3 o'clock.

This will be the last meeting before the state convention, and it is earnestly requested that every member be present. The different committees and chairmen will be read and all arrangements for final plans will be made. Let all members respond to this earnest call as it will take the united effort and support of all members to make the convention the success we desire it to be. Don't forget the date, Wednesday afternoon, Sept. 6th, at 3 o'clock in the ladies room.

S. S. RALLY AT BANDY NEXT SUNDAY.

As heretofore advertised the Sunday School Rally and picnic at Bandy will be held next Sunday, beginning about 10 o'clock. A number of speakers and visitors from town will attend. Dinner will not be served on the ground.

NEWS NOTES OF POCAHONTAS.

Policeman Married—Citizens Drug Company Moves to New Building. Pocahontas, Va., Aug. 30.—William F. Shumate, a member of the police force of Pocahontas, has returned with his children from Mulberry, N. C., and also bringing with him a bride in the person of Mrs. Marv Shumate, to whom he was married at Mulberry, N. C., last Wednesday at 5 p. m. They are occupying a house of the Pocahontas Improvement Co., on St. Clair Street.

A visit to Pocahontas cemetery will convince any one that this is one of the best kept cemeteries in this section of the State. The Pocahontas Cemetery Association deserves credit for having the premises so well looked after. In addition to this the location of the cemetery is an advantage in making it a place of beauty, and while they are not landscape gardeners, Jacob Banach and his son, Solon, chased wrought with fine effect in making the Pocahontas cemetery worthy of the town and community. Sol Banach is chairman of the directors of the cemetery association; Jas. W. Bailey is secretary and treasurer and John Roberts and Robert S. Wallace, members. Fred Denton is the man who keeps the cemetery and superintends the grounds.

The Citizens Drug Company is moving into its new quarters this week. About six weeks ago they purchased the Goodman building and have spent considerable money on improvements. It has a modern front, tile floor and has been otherwise improved. Ben T. Graham is manager, and is assisted by Mr. Zirkle and Mr. Armes.

It is understood that Mr. and Mrs. James A. Bailey, owners of the building vacated by the Citizens Drug Co., will put in a new front and otherwise improve their building and when this improvement is completed Center Street will present a more business like appearance than ever.

Misses Margaret and Helen Hines, of Garden City, New York, and Miss Margaret Jordan, of Pulaski, have been the guests of Miss Virginia Hall.

C. J. Moss, of Tazewell, was here this week on business. Jacob Banach left here Tuesday for his home in Greensboro, N. C., accompanied by Mrs. Rosa French.

RAILWAY STRIKE NEXT MONDAY

Unless Something Unforeseen Occurs, Enginemen and Firemen Will Quit Work Labor Day—Embargo on Cattle.

Unless the unforeseen happens, the railroad employees will walk out next Monday and the greatest strike in the history of railroads will be inaugurated. All the railroads have given notice to agents not to receive freight for shipment after tomorrow except dead freight, and only this subject to delay. Live stock and perishable freight will not be received. The Norfolk & Western has notified their agents to receive no freight billed for destinations beyond its terminals.

Railroad managers are making every effort to render the tie-up as little destructive as possible, and to keep trains moving. It is reported that not over 60 per cent of the N. & W. trainmen will walk out on Monday. There are thousands such on all the roads, and these, with new men being brought in, and thousands of "strike-breakers" in all the large centers, will enable the roads to avert a complete tie-up.

Congress Hard at Work on the Matter.

Congress is hard at work on President Wilson's recommendations that a law be passed at once to meet the case and avert the strike, or at least postpone it until a thorough investigation. However, both sides seem to be stubborn and unwilling to concede anything, and while there is hope that the strike will be averted, this writing the hope is a faint one, according to despatches from Washington.

BUGGY WANTED.

The buggy advertised in last Friday's paper, was sold on Monday. If you have a good one for sale put an ad. in this paper, and see what will happen.

GRAHAM-RICHARDSON.

Miss Madge, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Richardson, of Tazewell and Mr. Albert J. Graham, of Bluefield, were married at the Methodist parsonage by the Rev. E. E. Wiley, pastor of the Bland Street Methodist church. After the marriage Mr. and Mrs. Graham left for a wedding tour of the North. Mrs. Graham has held a responsible position as stenographer and bookkeeper in Bluefield for several years. She is well known in Tazewell as a young lady of unusual strength of character and has a host of friends. Mr. Graham is connected with the Appalachian Power Company.

NEW THEATER PROGRAM.

Today, "The Disciple," a remarkable Triangle feature, with Wm. S. Hart in the title role. This will be the first of the Triangle offerings and the company recommends it as a production of extraordinary interest and power. Wm. S. Hart stands alone as the "strong man" of the screen.

Tomorrow, (Saturday), another Triangle masterpiece, "The Iron Strain," featuring Dustin Farnum. This picture is chock full of gripping interest.

Next Monday, labor day, the offering will be "An Alien," a super-feature, produced by the Famous Players Exchange. This picture will mark the climax of the New Theater's program up to that date. For the matinee, 10c and 15c; for the evening performance, 10c and 20c.

September 5th, Ethel Barrymore, in "The Final Judgment," (Metro).

Ethel Barrymore is generally conceded to be the greatest living actress and one of the greatest that has ever lived.

Thursday, Sept. 7, "The Reapers," (World Film Co.), featuring John Mason and Clara Whipple.

Friday, Sept. 8th, "Should a Woman Forgive?" another World feature.

Saturday, September 9th, Mme. Petrova in "The Heart of a Painted Woman," (Metro).

METHODIST CHURCH SUNDAY.

The sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be observed in the Main Street Methodist church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Preaching by the pastor, Rev. B. Platt, jr. Sunday School at 10 o'clock. At North Tazewell, Sunday School at 10 o'clock. Preaching by the pastor at 7:30 p. m. A cordial invitation to all.

MONEY FOR ROADS.

The Board of Supervisors held a special meeting Monday and executed the bonds recently sold to J. C. May & Co., of Cincinnati. The total amount of money that will come to the county from the issue, including the premium, will be \$260,261.57, divided as follows: Jeffersonville district, \$99,186.63; Clear Fork district, \$161,074.94. The county Treasurer expects to receive a draft for the money this week.

HERE'S A GOOD ONE FOR TRINKLE.

Chas. E. Scott, Russell, our genial young old friend, writes, under date of Aug. 23, as follows, in part, in mailing check for his subscription: "Dear Sir—I am not fussy, neither am I grouchy, but I am well, feeling well, looking well and doing well, and I intend to vote for Trinkle this fall or bust. Excuse delay on account of so many hard rains and floods. Very respectfully, C. E. SCOTT."

We'll meet you at the polls, brother, along with several thousand other loyal Virginians.

MEDICAL SOCIETY MEETS AT TIP TOP.

The Tazewell County Medical Society met at Tip Top Lithia Springs Tuesday for the re-election of the county officers and transaction of other business. Dr. R. B. Gillespie was elected President; Dr. H. B. Frazier, of Graham, 1st Vice-President; Dr. M. J. Alexander, of Pocahontas, 2nd Vice-President; Dr. P. D. Johnston, Tazewell, Treasurer and Dr. Isaac Peirce, Secretary.

The society had as its guests the Mercer County Medical Society and a banquet was given and the social feature, which was the chief feature, was very enjoyable.

Interesting papers were read and addresses made by a number of the physicians present, among others, Dr. Williams, of Richlands, Dr. Wade, St. Clair and Dr. Kirk, of Bluefield, and Dr. Gale, of Rannoke. As the occasion was chiefly social, the physicians discussed nothing "heavy," but let themselves out for a good time, and had it.

SCHOOL BEGINS NEXT MONDAY

Prof. Martin Will Be in Charge at Tazewell—Many Members of Last Year's Faculty Returning This Year.

Professor Martin, the new principal of the Tazewell High School, and Mrs. Martin, and several members of the faculty, reached Tazewell on Wednesday. All of the teachers are expected to be here today, when the teachers' meeting will begin. The meeting will continue through today and tomorrow, when all preparations will be made and plans perfected for the opening of the school here and the schools in the county, on next Monday.

A number of new teachers have been elected, still a larger number of the old teachers return this session, and Prof. Thompson is encouraged in believing that he has a specially strong corps of teachers for the current session.

Mr. Martin was born in Caroline, Virginia, 44 years ago, graduated from Richmond College in 1898, and has been teaching ever since. He was for nine years at the head of the Union Academy. He was in charge of the High School in Pocahontas for three years, and for the past three years superintendent of schools at Dunn, North Carolina. Professor Martin is married, but has no children. He is pleased with Tazewell, not being at all a stranger to the town. While at Pocahontas he visited Tazewell frequently.

M. J. HANKINS' NEW AD.

M. J. Hankins, an enterprising merchant of this town, begins a series of advertising in this issue of this paper. Mr. Hankins, who is one of the best known merchants in the county, believes in printers' ink and publicity. He has a wide acquaintance in the country round about, and his weekly statements will be read with interest there as well as in town. Hankins is known as a man of integrity, and will spare neither time nor money to live up to his business reputation. Read his ad.

UNEASINESS AMONG COAL OPERATORS.

Mr. H. E. Harman, the coal operator, is home for the week end. He reports the coal operators and miners as well, quite nervous and concerned about the threatened strike of the railroad employees. The coal people will be seriously embarrassed, he says, if the strike comes off. In the hard coal regions coal can be mined and stored up and held for future shipments. This cannot be done in the soft coal field, says Mr. Harman, and when there is a dearth of cars, coal digging must stop short up. Mr. Harman, with all the operators, is hopeful still that the strike may be averted.

NOTES OF POUNDING MILL.

Pounding Mill, August 31.—R. K. Gillespie and Mrs. Ollie Hurl each shipped today a car of fat cattle.

Dr. George Williams, of Newport News, was here yesterday shaking hands with his old neighbors and old friends, and was the guest of his cousin, Mrs. Julia Williams to dinner. He was on his way to Grundy to be present at the marriage of his niece, Miss Amy Lee Stinson, which takes place on the morning of the 31st, at the church. It is the silver wedding anniversary of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Stinson.

Mrs. W. B. Steele spent yesterday with her mother, Mrs. Jane A. McGuire and daughter, Miss Pearl, at Cedar Bluff, and today Mrs. Fields of Cedar Bluff, spent the day with Mrs. Steele.

Miss Mary B. Gillespie has been quite sick at the home for her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. K. Gillespie.

The W. C. T. U. and others will serve ice cream and cake on next Saturday afternoon and night, beginning at 3:40 p. m. Everybody is cordially invited to aid in every way.

The W. C. T. U. of this place will be represented in the convention at Raven tomorrow.

James Johnson is laid up with a healed hand, while W. B. Steele John Whitt and Lula Sparks are on the sick list.

Mr. Wm. Cecil, of Crowell, Tex., and niece, Misses Elizabeth and May Hurl, of Indian spot Thursday afternoon with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Altizer and family spent Sunday in Richlands visiting their parents.

IN MODERN SEETH

Jean Dominjose, the Greatest Loop Monoplane Aviator on Earth, will Fly at the

BLUEFIELD-GRAHAM FAIR, SEPTEMBER 12 TO 15, 1916

He is the only Aviator in America who Loops the Loop in a Monoplane. We have engaged this man on a "Loop and Trick Flights Guaranteed or No Pay."

Wilson's Wild Animal Show will be the feature attraction on the Midway. The Great Argyle Shows will exhibit within our grounds. This company has an entire new outfit and is the largest and best that has ever exhibited in this state. Magnificent Agricultural Exhibits, Excellent Woman's Department, Matchless Poultry Show, Wonderful Fireworks, Grand Race Tournament. The Best Races in the State.